

Lesson 7: Perks and Benefits

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1. Dialogue

First, repeat after your tutor. Then, practice each role.

Asuka is a new employee. Jack is telling her about vacation leave.

Jack: Congratulations for getting the job!

Asuka: Thank you. Could you give me information about paid vacation leave?

Jack: You have 5 paid vacation days a year. In addition to that, employees can take a week off during Christmas and New Year holidays.

Asuka: Wonderful!

Jack: If you're going to take vacation leave, you must inform your manager two weeks **in advance**.

Asuka: I see. That's fair enough.

2. Today's Phrase

First, repeat after your tutor. Then, make a few sentences using Today's phrase.

1. Fifty percent of the payment must be made **in advance**.
2. The bill wasn't due for another month but I paid it **in advance**.
3. When you buy flight tickets **in advance**, you can get a discount.

* **in advance** / 事前に

3. Your Task

You are a salesman. You travel around Japan to sell and deliver products. The company does not pay for your transportation expenses. Talk to your boss (= your tutor) and ask for some travelling allowance. Explain to him why the company should pay for your transportation costs.

4. Let's Talk

What employee benefits are important to you? Explain your answer.

If you could have any job in the world, what would it be? Why?

What perks and benefits do you have in your current job?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.

